Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515-1504

September 26, 2019

AGRICULTURE

JUDICIARY

CHAIRMAN
SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE
CONSTITUTION AND CIVIL JUSTICE

SMALL BUSINESS

Representative Jon Jacobsen 103 Ehrig Avenue Treynor, Iowa 51575

Dear Representative Jacobsen:

Thank you for your request for a meeting among stakeholders and the US Army Corps of Engineers. I agree that such a meeting is urgent and prudent. I accept your proposal to host a meeting.

I have an ideal venue available for the meeting. I request that Members of Congress, Iowa elected officials, and the Army Corps join us for a meeting <u>at 12 p.m. on Wednesday, October 2nd, in Missouri Valley, at the Missouri Valley Public Library</u>. My office is extending invitations to a list of civic, governmental and private stakeholders, in addition to the Army Corps.

I recently took a Civil Air Patrol flight along the Missouri River, starting in Yankton at Gavins Point, and I saw what was in store for us downstream. I share your assessment that time is of the essence.

We certainly do need a better plan to ensure the protection of life, limb, and property from the life-altering impacts of continuous flooding. I look forward to a robust discussion with the Army Corps and all affected stakeholders that will lead to the collaboration necessary to proactively prevent recent destructive flood events from becoming the new normal for our region.

Sincerely,

Steve King (IA-04)

Member of Congress

cc:

Congresswoman Cindy Axne

501 5th Avenue

Council Bluffs, IA 51502

Congressman Jeff Fortenberry

301 South 13th Street Suite 100 Lincoln, NE 68508

Congressman Don Bacon 13906 Gold Circle, Ste. 101 Omaha, NE 68144

COL John Hudson Omaha District Commander United States Army Corps of Engineers 1616 Capitol Ave., Ste. 9000 Omaha, NE 68102